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December 30, 1999

Mr. D. R. Gipson
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SUBJECT: FERMI INSPECTION REPORT 50-341/99015(DRP)

Dear Mr. Gipson:

This refers to the inspection conducted on October 21 through December 3, 1999, at the Fermi 2 Facility. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

During this inspection period, we noted that the operation of your facility was conducted in a deliberate and conservative manner. Observed routine activities were performed in accordance with established procedures. In addition, we observed effective identification and documentation of problems in your corrective action program.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that two violations of NRC requirements occurred. One violation involved the failure to verify proper valve alignment of the nitrogen supply for the Mechanical Draft Cooling Tower "C" fan brake system. The second involved the failure to track stay-time into a locked high radiation area. These violations are being treated as Non-Cited Violations, consistent with Appendix C of the Enforcement Policy. These Non-Cited Violations are described in the subject inspection report. If you contest the violation or severity level of these Non-Cited Violations, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington DC 20555-0001, with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

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Sincerely,

A. Vogel, Chief
Reactor Projects Branch 6

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Vogel', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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